

Dear Parents and Carers

As you will be aware, the Government restrictions have now changed. The advice for specialist settings is that the previous restrictions remain in place. Our pupil's will continue in small class based bubbles, staff continue to wear masks in communal areas and meetings continue, for the main, virtually.

Red Cross

Three teachers from school joined with the Red Cross to devise and refine first aid teaching materials for pupils with learning difficulties. The work was recognised nationally, and was featured in a podcast last week hosted on the Times Educational Supplement site, many thanks to Kara, Liz and Ellie for this.

A flavour of life in Mayfield:

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Some of our older pupils are preparing to undertake the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Graham has been working with his class who have been learning to put up tents.



Maypole Dancing

Anne has been teaching Lakes 11 and 12 all about the Maypole and its traditions. Here are a few photos of their work.





Lakes 3

Lakes 3 have been practising their MOVE targets via functional purposes whilst out in the community. They went to St Bees as part of their England focus in their Around the World topic.



Lakes 7



Lakes 7 having introduced mindfulness in class every week. The class absolutely love it, and have all learned how to completely relax now. We now all tolerate deep or light touch, which wasn't as easy at the start, although the blankets and pillows are probably the biggest hit.

Lakes 12

Lakes 12 have been focusing on different types of weather - here are some awesome photos to show their learning.





Mountains 1

Jack is raising money for the Elms to enable him and his friends to enjoy outdoor activities throughout the school holiday season. Jack has a love for everything outdoors and is walking 214 wainwrights to raise funds. Please visit his page to donate if you can:

<https://gofund.me/3bdcf20>

To see how well he is doing follow his Facebook page 'Jacks Wainwright Adventure's'.



Mountains 4

In Mountains 4, as part of their sculpting topic in Creativity they created their very own class mascots, Maverick and Melvin.

They worked in two small teams, sharing thoughts and ideas on how best to assemble their creations before putting them together. Now they're fully assembled, they're going to paper mache them and paint them, then hopefully will be displayed in school for all to enjoy!



Mountains 5

We have had three zooms with professionals to talk about skills and qualities needed to do their job. This has been a very interesting project.





Summer Schools

Many thanks to all of you in Years 6 and 7 and Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 who responded. I am delighted to say we have enough numbers to host summer schools for those targeted year groups. This is an exciting opportunity for the school and we look forward to welcoming those pupils who have said they are attending.

Photos

Advance date for diary - individual photos will be taken in school on Friday 18th June.

End of half term

School breaks up for half term on Friday 28th May and reopens as usual on 7th June.

Yours sincerely

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